

**Minutes
Williamson County
Board of Zoning Appeals
July 26, 2007**

Members Present

Dave Ausbrooks, Chairman
Ed Jagers, Vice-Chairman
Don Crohan
Sue Workman

Staff Present

Lee Sanders
Linda Hodges
Brenda Midgett
Bobby Cook, County Attorney

The Williamson County Board of Zoning Appeals met in regular session on July 26, 2007, in the Auditorium of the Williamson County Administrative Complex. Chairman Dave Ausbrooks opened the meeting with a public statement that he read stating that the Board of Zoning Appeals is made up of five citizens nominated as Board members by the County Mayor. One member is a Planning Commissioner, one member may be a County Commissioner and the remaining members are not otherwise connected with County Government. He went on to say the Board will hear from anyone who has anything to say to the Board relevant to the request at hand. However, the Board will not view or hear anything that does not have direct bearing on the item being heard. He requested that all comments be addressed to the Board.

Chairman Ausbrooks then asked the members to consider the minutes. Don Crohan made the motion to approve the minutes of the May 24, 2007, meeting as printed, and Sue Workman seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

ITEM 1

A request by The Epilepsy Foundation (Arrington Meadows LLC, property owners) for approval of an Event of Public Interest, Extensive Impact (20th Annual Mud Volleyball Tournament) at 4880 Murfreesboro Road. The property is zoned Suburban Estate and is located in the 5th district.

Linda Hodges read the staff report, and reviewed the background (see agenda report). The overhead projector was utilized for the aerial view of the property and site plan. Lee Sanders indicated to the Board the proposed site for the mud volleyball tournament. He stated the site is located off Murfreesboro Road with access through the King's Chapel subdivision. Mr. Sanders stated the event was held last year, but without the sale of alcohol. He stated the pits are dug out and filled with water and once the event is finished, the pits are refilled with dirt. Mr. Sanders stated the site has a 200' bufferyard and approximately 400 people will attend the event. He stated the pits are smaller than regulation size for volleyball.

The applicant, Megan George represented the item. Ms. George submitted to the Board a package showing a listing of the vendors. She stated a 20 X 20 tent for pre-registration would be provided. Ms. George stated the tent would also be used for checking attendant's identifications who wish to purchase alcohol. She also included in the package, a signed agreement of property usage.

Chairman Ausbrooks opened the meeting to the public.

Being no one to speak, Chairman Ausbrooks closed the public hearing.

Sue Workman asked the applicant about the availability of parking.

Ms. George stated the vehicles would be parked in the back because twelve games at once would be taking place in the front.

Chairman Ausbrooks asked the applicant about the event starting at 9:00 a.m. instead of 10:00 a.m.

Ms. George stated no one in the area has complained about the early start. She stated an early start was needed due to heat of the day.

Sue Workman asked staff about the item meeting the requirements of the zoning ordinance.

Lee Sanders stated portable sinks, water and facilities would be made available to the public. The only issue was the early start time.

Chairman Ausbrooks asked the applicant how long the event would run.

Ms. George stated until 5:00 p.m. She stated the Arrington Fire Department would hose down the participants and provide shower water. Ms. George stated this was a double elimination event. She also stated they would provide plastic bags for people to sit on in their cars.

Don Crohan asked how many parking spaces would be available.

Ms. George stated plenty of parking would be made available with additional acreage on the side lot.

Don Crohan asked the applicant about the sound equipment echoing in the adjoining subdivision at 9:00 a.m.

Ms. George stated the sound equipment would be placed facing away from the subdivision, therefore the sound should not bother the adjoining homeowners.

Don Crohan asked the applicant if the Williamson County Sheriff's officers would be at the site. He stated he feels a patrol car should be on the street.

Ms. George stated that the Sheriff's officers will be at the site all day.

Sue Workman made a motion to approve the request stating it met the requirements of Section 4620 G and 9410 of the zoning ordinance. Don Crohan seconded the motion. Motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

There being no further business to come before the Board, meeting was adjourned.

Secretary's Signature

Date